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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L NICOSIA 1354

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: COUP

1. FIRING CONTINUING, PARTICULARLY AROUND ARCHBISHOPRIC,
AS NATIONAL GUARD TANKS GOING AFTER RESISTORS STILL INSIDE.
OTHERWISE, NATIONAL GUARD TRUCKS CIRCLING CITY, CELEBRATING.
SOME MOTION POSSIBLE IN CITY DESPITE 24-HOUR CURFEW.

2. BRITISH TELL US THAT LIMASSOL DISTRICT OFFICER STILL
APPARENTLY IN PLACE AND FUNCTIONING.

3. NO SOLID EVIDENCE AS TO CONDITIONS OTHER CITIES, THOUGH
BRITS HAVE REPORTS OF NATIONAL GUARD MOVING INTO LARNACA.

4. SOVIET DCM APPROACHED BRITS ASKING WHAT THEY
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INTENDED TO DO AS GUARANTOR POWER. HE "THOUGHT THE USSR WOULD

REACT STRONGLY." SPEAKING "PERSONALLY", HE ASKED BRITS
WHAT REACTION WOULD BE IF SOVIET TROOPS DEPLOYED TO CYPRUS.
DRITS REPLIED THAT THERE WERE ALREADY TOO MANY MILITARY
FORCES ON ISLAND.
DAVIES UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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